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UNITED STATES FUEL ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

October 9, 1918.

IN YOUR REPLY REFER TO
2-D-BGB

To the President of the
University of Toronto,
Toronto, Ontario.

Dear Sir:

In reply, refer to 2-D-BGB

Acknowledging your letter of October fourth.

Your requirements of Anthracite coal should properly be taken up with the Fuel Administrator for Ontario, with offices in Toronto.

It is entirely a question of distribution of anthracite in Canada, and I have taken the liberty of sending a copy of your letter to Mr. C. A. MaGrath, Fuel Controller for Canada, with the request that he pass it on to his deputy in Toronto for such action as may be necessary.

Very truly yours,

U. S. FUEL ADMINISTRATION

BY A. S. Learoyd

ASL/BGB DIRECTOR OF ANTHRACITE DISTRIBUTION.

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In May last we placed an order for 1300 tons of Anthracite coal with the F. P. Weaver Coal Company which was to be delivered in July.

As only 200 tons were delivered, the matter was taken up with the Fuel Controller in Toronto who referred us to the Controller at Ottawa, then to the Controller at Pittsburgh and eventually back to the starting point, and so far without any result.

Of the thirty five buildings coming under the heading of University of Toronto, sixteen are wholly or partly occupied by the Royal Air Force, Canadian Army Medical Corps, Invalided Soldier's Commission and other war organizations.

All the cooking for the 1500 R. A. F. cadets is done with coal ranges, but a great portion of the heating is done with bituminous coal from a Central Plant. There are however, several of our buildings not connected with the Central Plant which are heated with small hot water furnaces as these are chiefly residences for women students.

It is for these latter buildings that the Anthracite is required. The Weaver Company informs us that most of the coal billed against them for the University of Toronto has been commandeered before reaching Canada.